

RADON IN INDUSTRIES AND OTHER LARGE BUILDINGS

Testing for radon in large buildings is different than testing in homes. EPA has developed protocols for testing in buildings such as schools. To aid you in deciding how to test in your business, visit EPA's website and read "Radon Measurement in Schools." Your tester should place the detection devices following the format specified in this booklet.

Be sure you use <u>certified testers and mitigators</u> to do your work. To view a list of certified testers and mitigators in Tennessee, visit <u>www.radongas.org</u>. When you interview those who are on the list to choose your certified tester, ask for someone who has experience in testing large buildings. Specify that you are in an industrial or commercial building.

Of course, the best way to deal with radon gas is to prevent its entrance into your building. Using <u>radon resistant new construction techniques</u> will help give you a cost-effective means of addressing this known health hazard. If you have an existing building, it's still relatively easy to mitigate high radon levels. If you need information about new construction techniques or mitigation, call this office at 1-800-232-1139.

As an employer, you have other concerns about radon and your employees. The Occupational Safety and Health Administration (OSHA) requires that all employers provide a workplace that is free from known hazards. In the event that you test, 29 CFR 1910.1020, access to employee exposure and medical records, may apply. OSHA has issued a <u>letter of interpretation</u> (standard # 1910.1096 and 1926.53) about ionizing radiation, radon gas and workplace laws.





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